Candidates for Medical Education

418. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND ' FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how many candidates were allotted seats by Union Government for under-graduate medical education in various medical colleges during the last five years, collegewise and yearwise: and

(b) what are the guidelines to select these candidates?
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THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. SHAKEE-LUR REHMAN): (a) and fb). The Union Government in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have not made to any candidate any direct allotment of unite and post-graduate medical courses in any medical college in the country

However the MBBS seats contributed by the States with Medical Colleges and certain other medical institutions to the Government of India for Central Pool are allocated to StatesjUnion Territories without medical coFeges of their own, Children of Defen. e Personnel, other para-military organisations, foreign stu dents awarded Cultural Exchange Fellow-foreign students. re patriates from Burma, Sri Lanka, etc. Allocation of these seats vary from year ir depending upon the availability of sea ih Central Pool. The select!' nmination is done by the respective StatesjUnion Territories! con-cefne. ies to whom the seats are allocated.

Drilling operation in Andhra Pradesh

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(hi how many wells are already in operation and how many more are in the offing?

THE MINISTER FOR PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIA-MENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) Drilling for oil exploration is being undertaken presently in four districts of Andhra Pradesh.

(b) So far, 73 wells have been drilled and nine wells are under drilling/production testing. Rig building in preparation for drilling is going on at one more location.

Gas for Andhra Pradesh power projects

420. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity of gas being supplied annually by ONGC to Andhra Pradesh State El Board for its power projects at present;

(b) whether there is any additional demand from Andhra Pradesh State electricity board for the gas; and

(c) if so, at what stage these propo sals are?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) There is commitment to supply 0. 40 MMSCMD of gas to APSEB for their power plant at Vijjeshiwaram Offtake by APSEB has been lower than the commitment.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. 1. 5 MM of gas has been allocated for the pro-400 MW gas based power plant of APSEB in the Krishna God

Energy produced by National Th Power Corporation

42!. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the MNERGY be pleasedto stafcquanturn of energybeing produce. ! by National Thermal Power Corporation at present and how it is distributed amoung various states State-wise?